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Applicant hereby petitions, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §136(a), for a three-month Extension of Time for response to the outstanding Official Action mailed June 27, 2003. The period for response was previously set to elapse September 27, 2003, and is accordingly extended to December 27, 2003, which is still within the six-month statutory period for response (35 U.S.C. §133). Applicant's application for a Continuation Application mailed December 23, 2003, is enclosed.

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